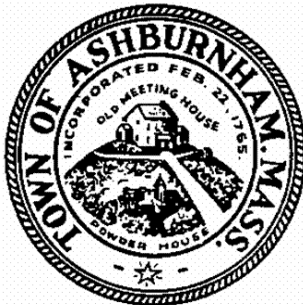


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TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT September 16, 2013

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TOWN COMMITTEES

Currently there are openings on the following (1) Conservation Commission, (3) Council on Aging Board, (1) Board of Assessors, (1) Advisory Board and (4) Cable Advisory Board. These are listed on the Town's website under Volunteer Opportunities.

TOWN HALL

Front steps are complete and it looks great! The railings are being added to comply with code requirements.

VMS BUILDING

Ed Schlott is getting an estimate to remediate the asbestos at VMS based on the Engineer's Abatement Plan to determine RFP process.

ROAD PAVING

The reclamation and paving of Dunn Road and Lake Road is complete. Work on driveways and shoulders will take another week. Roads will be striped. This will complete our paving plan for this year until the Governor releases the additional funds. These additional funds will be used to complete the South Main Street project to include sidewalks.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

The District has inquired as to placing a revised regional agreement on the next Special Town Meeting. If the Board would like to address incorporating changes there will need to be an additional BOS meeting prior to Oct 2nd for discussion.

There was a request by a resident, due to a situation with a barking dog, to incorporate within our General Bylaws a section that will deal with this type nuisance. I have drafted a sample from bylaws of other communities for the board to review should you determine to do so.

Dog Bylaw to incorporate

Section 7a Dangerous and Nuisance Dogs

The owner or keeper of a dog shall be prohibited from allowing a dog to be annoying, dangerous or a nuisance.

For the purposes of this bylaw, "annoying, dangerous or a nuisance" includes the following: molesting passersby or passing vehicles (including bicycles), attacking persons or domestic animals, trespassing on school grounds or other public property, damaging public or private property, barking, whining or howling in an excessive continuous or untimely fashion, (more than 10 minutes in any half hour overnight between the hours of 10:00PM and 7:00AM or for more than 15 minutes in any hour during the day between 7:01 am and 9:59PM, or being on the property of an owner who does not wish the dog on his or her property.

Update status on incoming articles.

HEALTH INSURANCE

Met with the Edd Byrnes, the District, and Westminster to review requirement of the health care act and set strategy for the upcoming Insurance RFP. Edd Byrnes will also hold two informational meetings on October 2, 2013 to discuss upcoming health care regulations

TOWN BUILDINGS

We went out for quotes on furnace maintenance for the Town Hall, Public Safety Building, DPW and Library. We have awarded the contract to R&D Technologies, Rodney Charon, out of Leominster for a lump sum cost of \$2,512.50. He comes highly recommended and is familiar with all our heating systems.